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NOTICES

The Annual meeting of the St. Luke's Alumnae Association will be held at the Hospital, Tuesday, January 15, 1918, at 2:30 o'clock.

Board Meeting at 1:30.

Important business to be transacted at this meeting.

1—Amendment of our Constitution to conform to ruling for affiliation with the District and State Associations. Unless you are willing to be on hand and vote on your constitution you have no cause for complaint if measures are passed which are not in accordance with your ideas.

2—Dues for 1918 are due and payable at the Annual meeting. No law is retro-active and no measure passed at the Annual meeting can effect dues for 1918 which are payable at the Annual meeting and which are paid on or before that time. Further than that we cannot say.

3—Election of officers. The ballot box will be closed at 2:30; consequently mail your ballot to Miss Gooch at the Hospital before Tuesday, or bring it before 2:30 o'clock.

4—The Annual meeting has before it much important business. Please facilitate the work to be done by being on hand promptly.

RED CROSS MEETING

A Red Cross meeting, under the auspices of the First District Association, will be held at Fullerton Hall, Wednesday evening, the 23rd of January. All nurses, whether Red Cross or not, are requested to make a serious effort to attend. The meeting will be addressed by several important speakers, among them it is hoped will be Miss Clara D. Noyes of Washington.

MINUTES NOVEMBER MEETING

The regular meeting of St. Luke's Alumnae Association was called to order Tuesday afternoon, November 20th, the President in the chair and about thirty-five members present. Minutes of last meeting read and accepted. Treasurer's report read and accepted. Moved, seconded and carried that a paid auditor be secured to audit the books for the remainder of the year.

Letter from Mrs. Orr read, stating that as she is unavoidably absent from the city and will be for some time, she is obliged to resign as Chairman of the Finance Committee. Moved, by Miss Browne, seconded and carried that the resignation be accepted.

Letters from Mrs. Clark and from Miss Charlotte White read.

No report of Ways and Means Committee other than that printed in the Journal. Chairman of Visiting Committee states that Miss Stewart, Miss Mason and Miss Hammerstrom are on the sick list.

Nominating Committee—no report. Program Committee had no report but the Chairman read a most interesting letter from a soldier in Flanders, a member of Unit 21.

The Membership Committee reported that four new members, Misses Adee, Ruth Jones, Hattie Rathje and Pemple were admitted to membership. Misses Charlotte and Mary May White, Mrs. Frankenthal, and Miss Ruth Crawford were reinstated at the Director's meeting immediately preceding. Report accepted.

Moved, by Miss Fulmer, seconded and carried that a vote of thanks be given the Ways and Means Committee. The President called for a rising vote in recognition of the excellent work accomplished by the Chairman, Miss Ambridge, and her committee.

Moved, by Miss Dawson, seconded and carried, that the maximum sick benefit of \$100.00 be given Miss Stewart, who is ill in the hospital.

Moved, by Miss Browne, that ten cents be collected from each member for her cup of tea and that the amount so received be added to the Pension Fund. Motion amended, that the amount go for war relief. Discussion. Amendment put to vote, lost. Original motion carried. Moved, by Miss Osmotherly, that \$50.00 be given American Fund for French Wounded. Motion lost. The meeting, on motion duly made and carried, was adjourned for tea in the sitting room. The amount received for the Pension Fund being \$2.90.

Eva A. Mack, R. N.,
Secretary.

In declining renomination, both your President and Secretary feel that a change is a wholesome thing for an organization and that the Alumnae should have the benefit of such a change of officers.

We would, however, remind you to come prepared with ideas and to be ready to vote intelligently on the revision of your Constitution.

We **must** affiliate with our State Association or drop out of the running. .Do we wish that? .The members of the State and District have voted to incorporate the American Journal of Nursing in the dues. This ruling is not made for all time and may be changed by common consent next year. Do you wish your Alumnae to be kept out because a few of us do not care for the magazine? The majority, at the last State meeting, **did** and so voted. Majority should rule. Another thing, if we do not accept the offer of the State to come in with **all** our members now, later all members will have to be R. N., consequently we should have to drop many of our most valuable women or stay out. Think it over seriously. If we do not affiliate we shall have no voice or vote in State National affairs.

Our Pension Fund is well under way. What about our dues? Are we going to give up our sick benefit or continue it? The Pension Fund will be a blessing for the future, but is not your sick benefit in many cases an absolute necessity for the present? Think about it before you vote.

Another subject under serious consideration is the placing of the

Journal in the hands of a Publication and Press Committee. If you vote in the affirmative you obligate yourself to stand by that committee and do all you can to make it successful. What is everybody's business is too often nobody's business. And, last, but far from least, make your Secretary's life a little more livable by keeping her informed as to your change of address.

TREASURER'S REPORT

November 1st to December 1st, 1917—

Expenses

| | |
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| E. A. Mack services to December 31, 1917..... | \$ 75.00 |
| Claflin-Hill Printing Co. (Oct. Journal)..... | 11.65 |
| L. M. Whitcomb, card index, stamps, stationery and file | 5.00 |
| St. Luke's Hospital, Oct. Meeting— | |
| Cream, Coffee, Sugar..... | 1.23 |
| Morse & Son, 2 lbs. macaroons..... | 1.60 |
| Maude Gooch, nom. blks..... | 9.90 |
| E. A. Mack, envelopes and stamps, Nov. Jour. | 4.82 |
| Ellen Stewart (Sick Benefit)..... | 100.00 |
| Exchange on checks..... | .31 |

\$209.51

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| Cash in Bank November 1st..... | 204.43 |
| Deposits Total | 195.69 |

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| Checking Account | 400.12 |
| Checks cashed in | 56.50 |

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| December 1st—Bank Balance..... | \$343.62 |
| Outstanding Checks | 179.83 |

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| Actual Balance | \$163.79 |
| On Hand | 74.00 |
| Balance Savings | 635.79 |

Total \$873.58

Deposited in this account, on account of improper endorsement, three checks, secured for the Pension Fund:

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| Mrs. C. Spalding..... | \$25.00 |
| Miss M. Mihells | 15.00 |
| Draft on Lansing, Mich..... | 10.00 |

\$50.00

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| Less Exchange | \$.05 |
| Should reimburse Pension Fund.... | \$49.95 |

NOTES ON NEW MEMBERSHIP REGULATIONS IN THE FIRST DISTRICT

Membership—Any registered nurse. A graduate of a 30 bed with affiliation, or a 20 bed with affiliation hospital, taking a three years' course, as recognized by the State Board of Registration here or in her own state, is eligible to membership.

All local graduates may come in only through their alumnae.

Existing alumnae come in with membership now; after July 1st, 1918, new Alumnae Associations shall meet all the above requirements.

Individual Memberships—Graduate nurses whose hospitals are outside the State of Illinois: those now members of the First District continue members of the First District and of the State. All others must fill out the usual application blank and comply with the requirements.

(The question was raised as to nurses whose training schools are out of existence and who have no alumnae associations. It was decided that these nurses should come in as individual memberships.)

The question was also raised as to the membership of nurses whose Alumnae Associations refused to accept the terms of the State Association. It was decided that probably these nurses must come in as individual members until their alumnae could be brought into line.

The revision of the First District Constitution and By-Laws was turned over to Mrs. Worth, Chairman of the Committee, and her committee will suggest forms of alumnae and individual membership application blanks. Transfer blanks from one district membership to another have already been distributed by the Association.

Dues—District Association, \$4.50 annually. Of this \$3.00 goes to the State Association. This includes a subscription to the American Journal of Nursing; 15c head tax to the A. N. A., leaving actually \$1.35 in the State Treasury per member and \$1.50 in the District Treasury per member.

An initiation fee into a District Association of an alumnae association is to be \$5.00; of a District Association into a State Association, \$5.00.

Nurses who are **already** taking the Journal, whose subscriptions may expire before the new membership rules go into effect, will be instructed regarding their subscriptions by the Secretary of the State Association.

Nurses whose subscriptions will not have expired by the time they take out this new membership in the State, will also have this readjustment made by a special committee of the State Association.

First District, on December 5, 1917, had 520 members.

RED CROSS

ALL IN SERVICE URGED TO BUY U. S. INSURANCE

Washington, Nov. 21.—All officers and enlisted men and nurses in the army and navy were urged in an address issued today by Secretary McAdoo to apply to the Bureau of War Risk Insurance at Washington for government life insurance before Feb. 12 next.

Failure to apply by that date, he explained, would bar them from the benefits of what he characterized as “the greatest measure of protection ever offered to its fighting forces by any nation in the history of the world.”—Chicago Herald.

NURSES NEEDED FOR BASE HOSPITAL UNIT NO. 14

We have received orders to increase the nursing personnel of the Base Hospital to one hundred nurses! **The need is very great!** Any nurse wishing to serve her country in this way please write to me **at once** or come to my office any day except Saturday between the hours of **ten and twelve** and **two and four**.

Ellen Stewart,
Chief Nurse, Unit No. 14.

American Red Cross, Room 511, 58 East Washington Street.
Telephone: Randolph 3480; Local 91.

RESPONSE TO CALL

The Local Red Cross Committee is continually receiving urgent calls from the National Committee in Washington, D. C., for nurses to serve in the cantonment hospitals. There are thirty-two cantonments in the United States.

Service is regular floor duty, eight hours per day; the salary is \$50.00 per month with maintenance. Transportation and all expenses to the camp are paid by the government. The nurse is expected to furnish six white uniforms, according to regulations. Nurses signing up for service in cantonment hospitals are expected to serve for the duration of the war. They are, however, allowed thirty days' leave of absence with pay per year, which may accumulate.

For further information write or telephone Ellen V. Robinson, Secretary Local Red Cross Committee, 721 Monroe Bldg. Telephone Majestic 8150.

PERSONALS

Miss Kathleen Marjoribanks has gone to New York to take up an important position with the Odorono Company. Odorono is a toilet

preparation with which every nurse is familiar. She is also doing magazine work and is living at 309 W. 86th Street.

Miss Adee has gone to San Francisco in response to Red Cross orders from Washington.

Miss Greenlees has returned to Chicago after a six months' absence in Canada.

Holiday greetings have been received from Halifax from Miss Edith Dean, a sister of Miss Daisy Dean.

Miss Ericson has returned to the city after spending her Christmas vacation at home.

Dr. and Mrs. Miner spent a few days in the city not long since. Many of the older nurses will remember Mrs. Miner as Miss Rathborn of the class of 1897.

A nice letter has just been received from Miss Hiatt (?) who says in response to notice in the last Journal, that she was married to Lieut. Llewelyn L. Thomas, August 24th, at Goshen, Indiana, and that she is living at Petersburg, Virginia, about six miles from Camp Lee, where her husband is stationed.

Christmas greetings have been received by the Secretary from Mrs. C. N. Johnson, formerly Miss Erma Holmgren. It seems safe to draw the conclusion that Miss Holmgren has also joined the ranks of the matrons.

Miss Tompkins spent the holidays with her family in Milwaukee and made a flying visit to friends in Chicago, en route.

MARRIED

On Saturday, November the 17th, Miss Signe Ravn, to Mr. John Bache-Wüg, Lieutenant, Field Artillery Reserve Corps.

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From the Hospital Board—Mr. William J. Bryson.

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NOTICES

The adjourned Annual Meeting will be held at the hospital, Tuesday, February 19th, 1918, at 2:30 o'clock.

Election of Officers and Directors.

Revision of Constitution.

Please be on time.

Board Meeting—1:30 P. M.

Miss Mary C. Wheeler of the Illinois Training School will speak to the Association on "Reorganization" at 2:30 o'clock—sharp. She comes before the business meeting in order that we may understand and ask any questions on this vital subject—before we vote on the revision of our own Constitution. **Be there.**

The Annual Meeting of the First District Illinois State Association of Graduate Nurses will be held at the Chicago Nurses Club, February 12, 1918, at 8 P. M. Reports of committees, election of officers, and discussion of proposed constitution and by-laws.

MINUTES

The regular meeting of St. Luke's Alumnae Association was called to order Tuesday Afternoon, December 18, the President in the chair and about twenty-four members present.

Minutes of last meeting read and accepted; Treasurer's report read and accepted. Moved by Miss Fulmer that a motion be spread upon the minutes extending to Miss Eldredge our congratulations and appreciation on her undertaking the duties of Interstate Secretary for the allied National Nursing organizations as well as the Journal.

Report of the Revision Committee read and accepted. Miss Martin also read the Notes on Membership given the First District by Miss Wheeler. General discussion followed, during which Miss Whitcomb gave a very lucid report of the yearly average receipts and liabilities of the Alumnae. Moved by Miss Ambridge, seconded by Miss Collins that we consider having the Journal published by a press committee.

Moved, seconded and carried that we accept the nomination ticket of the First District with the exception that we nominate Miss Eldredge in place of Miss Noyes as President of the American Nurses Association.

Report of the Nomination Committee given by Miss Gooch who said that out of 286 postals sent out for nominations only 77 had

been returned, and that she was having not a little difficulty in filling her ticket. There being but one candidate for the presidency, Miss Ambridge. Miss Ambridge begged to withdraw her name as heavy Red Cross duties make it impossible for her to accept the office. Many Nominations from the Floor, none of which were accepted, finally Miss McClenahan and Mrs. Dagg, neither of whom were present were nominated to fill the office. But one nominee for the Treasurer, Miss Whitcomb. Miss Lawrie nominated from the floor. One candidate for the Program Committee, several nominations from the floor, all declining. After several discouraging efforts the second nomination was accepted by Miss Browne.

Nurses are urged to join the Red Cross, either for work here in the Cantonments or with the units abroad. The meeting then adjourned for tea in the sitting room.

Eva A. Mack, R. N., Secretary.

A TRIBUTE TO ADDA ELDREDGE

By Harriet Fulmer, R. N.

Presented to St. Luke's Alumnae Association, December 20th, 1917.

The appointment of Adda Eldredge of St. Luke's Training School for Nurses to the very important position of Interstate Secretary for the American Nurses' Association, and its allied groups ought to give St. Luke's Graduates a feeling of personal pride that she is one of us.

From the day Miss Eldredge left the Training School she had the larger vision of doing a work that should promote the growth of her profession, and while she has always remained loyal to her Alma Mater, she had a larger call to serve the whole body of nurses. Long years ago, Miss Eldredge, at great personal sacrifice, both financially and physically, travelled up and down the State of Illinois, campaigning for State Registration for Nurses. To-day, we who sat at home at our own comfortable firesides, are reaping the benefit. Later, when our State Registration Bill was in jeopardy, she again gave hours of arduous labor to saving it from the hands of the spoils-men. As Instructor of the preliminary class in St. Luke's Training School for several years, she molded the character and vision of many young women in her charge.

She has received recognition from the American Nurses' Association by being elected its Vice President four years in succession, and here, as a Member of the Executive Board, her wisdom and judgment has helped over many difficulties. Now, when the Allied National Groups of Nurses required a woman of ability and experience to carry out their work throughout the United States, their choice fell upon Miss Eldredge, and in conferring this honor upon her, we too, as an Alumnae Association, are honored. Recognition of her services ought to be the duty and privilege of this Association, as well as an expression of appreciation of her work.

Chicago, Dec. 20, 1917.

The following from the "Report" of the Illinois Training School might be of value, as a suggestion, to those of us who are interested in the work of our Ways and Means Committee.

"LEST WE FORGET"

Memorial Home and Loan Fund

We Want to Raise \$10,000 by May 1st, 1918

We have a thousand living graduates. If each one will give ten dollars this year, we will have our \$10,000.

Many cannot give that much, while others can give more. If those who cannot give their full share will interest friends and patients in this fund, we feel sure they will collect their full share and more too.

One class held a reunion at the banquet last May. That evening they promised enough to buy a Liberty Bond to go into this fund. Since then, by arousing the interest of friends and patients, they have raised their full quota—\$10 for each living member of the class, making \$410—and they are still working.

Let each class aim to stand at the head of the list!

Many of our early graduates have reached the time when they must rest from active work; and some, through no fault of their own, have been unable to save much. Let us be ready to meet such a condition.

ST. LUKE'S NURSES ON ACTIVE LIST OF UNIT NO. 14

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|-------------------|----------------------------|
| Beisel, Florence | Martin, Agnes |
| Blake, Bertha | McConnell, Madeline |
| Bulkley, Margeret | McNab, Helen |
| Carter, Helen | Mihills, Mildred |
| Craig, Elizabeth | Morier, Alice U. |
| Davenport, Mary | Morris, Hilda |
| Donsing, Caroline | Madden, Mabel |
| Dugan, Florence | Mason, Edna |
| Draper, Cordelia | Marlin, Ruth |
| Evans, Louise | Murray, Edna |
| Foley, Ella L. | Preston, Mabel |
| Foote, Caroline | Robertson, Alison |
| Freeman, Lucy | Schweitzer, Ida |
| Hall, Frances | Stewart, Ellen—Chief Nurse |
| Hanchett, Liela | Ulmer, Elizabeth |
| Hewson, Adelaide | Vandervort, Lynette |
| Hutton, Kate | Vining, Bertha |
| Jacobs, Lena | Wallace, Caroline |
| Lee, Bertha | Weissmiller, Mildred |
| Liers, Louise | West, Bessie |
| Latham, Susan | White, Katherine |
| Mahan, Margeret | Wood, Ella |

Young, Harriet
Collins, May
Crawford, Ruth
Gruber, Kathryn
Moser, Anna
Patterson, Hope

Brown, Anna
Morrison, Nettie
Ruddy, Eva
Blodgett, Florence
Brockman, Hilda
Spohr, Louise

PERSONALS

Miss Kate Hutton has resigned from Unit 14 owing to illness in the family but expects to join the force of nurses at Camp Custer.

Dr. and Mrs. Clarke passed through the city a short time ago on their way to attend the funeral of Dr. Clarke's father.

Miss Stewart is visiting in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Miss Collins has accepted a position in Milwaukee.

Miss Emma Dawson is doing cantonment work in the South.

Miss Binner has returned from New York and is living on North Central Park Ave.

Miss Ulmer, who has been in the city for some time on duty, has returned to her home in Cudahy, Wis.

Miss McClenahan is in Highland Park with friends.

Mrs. John Bache-Wüg (nee Ravn) is living at 31 South Mason Ave., Austin.

Miss Tompkins has resigned her position at Presbyterian Hospital, Omaha, and has accepted the assistant superintendency at Clarkson Hospital in the same city.

Among our nurses who are doing war service abroad are: Miss Martha Smart, who is running an ambulance train between Folkestone and London; Miss Eva Morkill, who is with the 2nd Canadian General Hospital B. E. F., France; Miss Pendill, relief work in Florence; Miss Brodrick in the Queen's Canadian Military Hospital, Shornecliffe, England; Miss O'Reilley, who is in the receiving Hospital, in Hamilton, Ontario, and Miss Gertrude Davis, who is doing reconstruction work in Paris.

Miss Mack has gone to Louisville to outline and organize a new course of instruction in the City Hospital there.

Miss Harriet Young is in the hospital taking a post-graduate course in surgery under Miss Edith Bender.

Miss Mason has been in the hospital several days having her cast changed and is greatly improved.

Miss Grace Lee is much improved and is able to sit up in a chair.

Miss B. Snyder, who has been in Canada for the last four months, passed through Chicago recently on her way home.

The Nurses' library in the Training School has been redecorated and is most attractive.

Miss Adelaide Sharpe's home address has been changed from the Rectory at Batavia to 2901 Logan Blvd., where she resides with the family of the Rev. G. G. Moore, Chicago.

The echo of some speeches recently made by Miss Eldredge in her tour through the New England states has reached us and we are very proud.

Miss Manuell passed through the city recently on her way home, having been called from her post in Camp Custer by the illness of her father.

Miss Marlin having resigned from the X-Ray Department in St. Luke's will take a short rest at her home in Iowa, preparatory to sailing with Unit No. 14.

Miss Florence McCabe has accepted the position as superintendent of the V. N. A. in Omaha, Neb.

Married—On January 14, 1918, Mabel Pinnell to Mr. John William Brown of Kansas, Ill.

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Edna Mason, R. N., 1909

Alice Robertson, R. N., 1908

Daisy Wiser, 1907

Mildred Mihills, R. N., 1907

Frances Blake, R. N., 1909

Grace Middlemiss, R. N., 1910

Hazel Martin, R. N., 1910

Nelle McClintock, 1910

Elizabeth Tonge, 1911

Leonore Crompton, R. N., 1912

Edith Bender, R. N., 1912

Gwendolyn McNiece, R. N., 1912

Caroline Wallace, R. N., 1914

Edna Murray, R. N., 1915

From the Hospital Board—Mr. W. J. Bryson.

Pay your dues to the Treasurer

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NOTICE

The next regular meeting of the Alumnae Association will be held at the hospital, Tuesday, March 19, at 2:30 o'clock. Miss Harriet Vitum will address the meeting. An invitation has been extended to the Senior Student Nurses.

Board of Directors meeting will be held Saturday, March 16, room 1206 Tower Building, at 2:30 o'clock.

TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT

Attached hereto I submit a summary of the cash receipts and disbursements from January 1, 1916, to July 31, 1917. The disbursements do not include all July bills:

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| Cash receipts per attached summary..... | \$4,550.64 | |
| Disbursements per attached summary..... | 3,743.68 | |
| | | \$806.96 |
| Cash in Illinois Trust & Sav. Bank (checking acct.)\$ | 336.94 | |
| Cash in Illinois Trust & Sav. Bank (savings acct.) | 470.02 | |
| | | \$806.96 |

Yours respectfully,

Laura M. Whitcomb, Treasurer.

Explanation of Cash in Both Bank Accounts Showing Cash Over of \$30.15 in Checking Account

Checking Account—

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| Cash on hand January 1, 1916..... | \$ 48.52 |
| Total deposited from January 1, 1916, to July 31, 1917.... | 3,415.95 |
| Total | \$3,464.47 |
| Disbursed | 3,157.68 |

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| Cash in bank according to receipts and disbursements.. | \$ 306.79 |
| Cash over in bank..... | 30.15 |

Total cash in bank, July 31, 1917.....\$ 336.94

Savings Account—

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| Cash on hand January 1, 1916..... | \$ 423.27 |
| Total deposited from January 1, 1916, to July 31, 1917.... | 632.75 |
| Total | \$1,056.02 |
| Money transferred from savings to checking account.... | 586.00 |

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| Amount in bank, July 31, 1917..... | \$ 470.02 |
| Total cash in checking account..... | 336.94 |
| Total cash in savings account..... | 470.02 |

Total\$ 806.96

ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION OF ST. LUKE'S TRAINING SCHOOL FOR NURSES

Cash Receipts and Disbursements January 1, 1916, to July 31, 1917.

Receipts—

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|---|------------|
| Membership dues | \$3,074.10 |
| Coupons | 965.25 |
| General expense | 9.35 |
| Cash in savings account January 1, 1916..... | 423.27 |
| Cash in checking account January 1, 1916..... | 48.52 |
| Cash over | 30.15 |
| Total receipts | \$4,550.64 |

Disbursements:

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|--|------------|
| Bonds | \$ 486.18 |
| Sick benefits | 1,312.50 |
| Printing | 436.50 |
| General expense | 470.46 |
| Annual dues | 89.55 |
| Salaries | 200.00 |
| Dues (N. S. F. checks) | 15.00 |
| United Charities | 10.00 |
| Exchange | 4.49 |
| Nurses Chicago Club | 58.00 |
| Robb Memorial Fund | 25.00 |
| Nurses Relief Fund | 50.00 |
| Money disbursed from savings account, May 24, 1916.... | 486.00 |
| Money disbursed from savings account Sept. 8, 1916.... | 100.00 |
| Total disbursements | \$3,743.68 |

December 1, 1917, to January 1, 1918.

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| Balance on hand, checking account..... | \$ 163.79 |
| Deposit, dues | 85.00 |
| Total | \$ 248.79 |
| Less expense: Clafin Hill Journal, \$21.00; printing and stationery, \$11.00 | 32.00 |
| January 1, balance in bank..... | \$ 216.79 |
| Bills unpaid, liabilities, for December..... | 140.92 |
| True balance | \$ 75.87 |
| Balance in savings account..... | 705.79 |
| Total cash assets for January 1st | \$ 781.66 |
| Bonds, \$12,000.00. | |

Respectfully submitted,

L. M. Whitcomb, Treasurer.

Semi-annual Report July 1, 1917, to January 1, 1918

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| July 1, balance on hand checking account..... | \$ 261.24 |
| Deposits, dues | 344.00 |
| Pension fund checks | 50.00 |

Total receipts\$ 655.24

Expenses, July 1, 1917, to January 1, 1918—

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| Exchange | \$.36 |
| Auditor | 15.00 |
| Journal | 69.60 |
| Sick benefits | 200.00 |
| Secretary | 75.00 |
| Refreshments | 8.18 |
| Printing and postage..... | 57.31 |
| Flowers | 3.00 |
| Refund on check..... | 10.00 |
| | <u>\$ 438.45</u> |

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| Bank balance, January 1, 1918..... | \$ 216.79 |
| Liabilities bills unpaid for December..... | 140.92 |

True balance\$ 75.87

Savings Account—

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| July 1, balance on hand..... | \$ 470.02 |
| July interest | 3.27 |
| Coupons | 232.50 |

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| Balance in bank January 1, 1918..... | \$ 705.79 |
| Total true cash balance, checking account..... | \$ 75.89 |
| Total true cash balance, savings account..... | 705.79 |

Total cash assets\$ 781.66

Bonds—

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| Peoria Railway Co. | \$1,000.00 |
| Congress Hotel | 1,000.00 |
| Chicago City Railway | 1,000.00 |
| Commonwealth Edison | 2X 1,000.00 |
| Armour & Co. | 2X 1,000.00 |
| Mutual Fuel & Gas..... | 2X 1,000.00 |
| Chicago Telephone | 1,000.00 |
| Peoples Gas Light & Coke Co..... | 1,000.00 |
| Northern States | 500.00 |
| Valley Dist. School Bond, West Va..... | 5X100 500.00 |

Total\$12,000.00

Respectfully submitted,

L. A. Whitcomb, Treasurer.

Accounts audited and found correct.

H. Z. Shaw, Auditor.

Monthly Report, January 1, 1918, to February 1, 1918

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| Balance on hand January 1st..... | \$ 216.79 |
| Income from dues | 361.00 |
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| Total | \$ 577.79 |
| Less exchange | .63 |
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| Balance | \$ 577.16 |
| Expenses— | |
| Pension fund | \$ 49.95 |
| Journal | 21.00 |
| Miss Lohman | 50.00 |
| Treasurer, stamps for receipts and notices, let- ters, envelopes, etc..... | 12.44 |
| Total Expenses..... | <hr/> \$ 133.39 |
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| Bank balance | \$ 443.77 |
| Outstanding checks— | |
| Miss Lawrie | \$ 2.50 |
| Miss Mack | 5.03 |
| Miss Mack | 4.41 |
| Miss Foley | 30.00 |
| | <hr/> \$ 41.94 |
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| Actual balance | \$ 401.83 |
| Savings Account— | |
| Balance on hand January 1st..... | \$ 705.79 |
| Interest | 7.13 |
| Coupons | 25.00 |
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| Balance, February 1st..... | \$ 737.92 |
| Bonds in vault, \$12,000.00. | |

Respectfully submitted,

L. A. Whitcomb, Treasurer.

Accounts audited and found correct.

H. Z. Shaw, Auditor.

MINUTES

The annual meeting of St. Luke's Alumnae Association was called to order January 15, 1918, by the first vice-president in place of the president, who was unavoidably absent. Minutes of last meeting read and accepted. Treasurer's report read and accepted. Minutes of Board meeting read and approved. Moved by Miss Whitcomb, seconded by Miss Browne, that we accept the action of the Board of Directors and adjourn the meeting until February. Discussion. Carried.

On motion duly made, seconded, and carried, the meeting adjourned until February 19th.

Eva A. Mack, R. N., Secretary.

MINUTES BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

A meeting of the Board of Directors was held on January 15th, Miss Hipwell, second vice-president, in the chair. Mrs. Gregory and Miss Collins being both unavoidably absent, seven members of the board present. Moved by Miss Whitcomb, seconded by Miss Browne, that owing to a serious error in the ballot it is necessary to adjourn the annual meeting until the February meeting. Carried.

Report of Membership committee presenting the names of Misses Stead and Nifong; both applicants elected.

Visiting committee presented the application of Miss Foley for three weeks' sick benefit. Moved, seconded and carried that same be paid.

Eva A. Mack, R. N., Secretary.

The following is taken from the February issue of the American Journal of Nursing:

Rhode Island—

Adda Eldredge, Interstate Secretary, visited Rhode Island December 14-22. While in the state Miss Eldredge spoke before the Rhode Island Hospital Nurses' Club, the Rhode Island Hospital Nurses' Alumnae, St. Joseph's Hospital Training School and Alumnae, the Homeopathic Hospital of Rhode Island Training School and Alumnae, the Memorial Hospital Training School and Alumnae of Pawtucket, the Woonsocket Hospital Nurses' Club, Newport Hospital Training School and Alumnae, Butler Hospital Training School and Alumnae, and addressed a mass meeting of nurses at the Rhode Island Medical Library. Miss Eldredge also spoke to the Provident District Nurses and was most helpful in many ways. Her visit was of great inspiration and encouragement and will long be remembered.

Miss Eldredge is now making a tour of the southern states. We are hoping to have her with us some time in May or June.

Have you read the Survey, February 9th? It contains an interesting article on Rural Nursing by Miss Harriet Fulmer.

We are proud of the fact that Miss Fulmer's name appeared on the list of eligibles for Director of Publicity and Education of the Municipal Tuberculosis Sanatorium. The examination was held in February.

REPORT OF PROGRAM COMMITTEE

The Program Committee of 1917 came into existence at the June meeting—nominated and elected the month previous. Our first duty was to the graduates of 1917. Heretofore, we have had a royal good time, a party being the contribution of St. Luke's Alumnae for them. This year, all things taken into consideration, we invited them to attend our regular meeting. Many accepted. After a short business session we adjourned to the sitting room where we spent a social hour or so, and dainty refreshments were served. We hope the new graduates were as happy in coming as we were in having them.

July and August no meetings held according to custom. September, but few members in the city; we found it almost impossible to secure suitable talent (a musicale having been planned). However, we congratulated ourselves thinking we had a jewel, but at the eleventh hour our jewel decided she would be married instead of entertaining us.

October—Mrs. J. Gordon Wilson gave us an interesting lecture or talk on Red Cross work in France, and other war conditions known to her personally.

November—A letter from the chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, asking the extra time be devoted to disposing of the articles left over from the Art Sale. The Program Committee had in their possession an interesting censored letter from a young surgeon doing his bit somewhere in France, a member of Unit 21. A letter that had been read all over Chicago at clubs and gatherings of all kinds, so we thought it worth while and it was read.

December—Our entertainer disappointed us, going to Louisville, Kentucky, the night before. Evidently St. Luke's Alumnae Association was not uppermost in his mind.

January—Our Annual Meeting is always devoted to business.

Respectfully submitted,

M. R. Browne, R. N., Chairman.

I forgot to add Miss Eldredge gave us, as usual, an informal worth-while talk at our June meeting, we as an association miss her, consequently whenever she is near Old St. Luke's we feel our right to claim her.

ABOUT THE JOURNAL

I can easily understand why many object to having this included in their dues. But stop to think a minute. It is our own magazine, just as the Journal of the American Medical Association is the magazine of the medical association. It was founded by our associations to be their own spokesman and it has always stood for professional standard and has led the way in all our nursing progress. It needs the support of our entire association, especially during this war period when printing and all such expenses have greatly increased. It is making a great effort to get along without raising its subscription price and it should be helped in this effort by every nurse who is glad that our own nurses were able to establish a magazine and to conduct it.

Catharine DeWitt.

IN RETROSPECT

Retrospecting these days seems almost inevitable, especially when we realize that we must take count of stock in order to do away with the unnecessary, to strengthen our weakest link, and get new zeal and new enthusiasm. Knowledge of ourselves makes for efficiency. St. Luke's Alumnae Association is nearing its quarter of a century milestone. In these twenty-five years, have we grown a stronger, wider visioned, more progressive organization, or have we just lived from "hand to mouth, trying to 'stick together'", without much purpose? If we have, the great nursing body will not miss us in the

bigger adjustment of our up-to-date affairs. Approximately, 600 young women have passed out of our training school during that period; about half of this number have become members of the Alumnae Association; are you one of them? If you are, what are you doing at this moment to strengthen the esprit de corps not only of your own Alumnae, but of your profession at large. Are you an enthusiastic and loyal subscriber to the American Journal of Nursing, of which you are part owner? Are you taking part in the really momentous problems of your profession in the National and State Association? Are you contributing, by your moral support, to every up-to-date plan which our leaders are working out for us so that no stone shall be left unturned to make the national body of nurses the most powerful and influential group of women in the world?

How many of us will answer these questions in the affirmative and pledge ourselves anew to do our share of service first in our own Alumnae, and then to hold up the hands of the great National Nursing bodies. Every graduate of St. Luke's Training School from the oldest to the youngest, has this opportunity lying at her door this day. Will you answer the call?

ITEMS OF INTEREST IN GENERAL NURSING AFFAIRS

Harriet Fulmer, Chairman

Some splendid opportunities are now open for nurses experienced in public health nursing. The State of Illinois needs a State Supervisor of Public Health Nurses, salary \$2,000 a year maintenance and travelling expenses when away from headquarters at Springfield. This is under Civil Service.

The State of Oklahoma has a like opening for a Supervisor of State Public Health Nurses, salary \$2,100 a year. It also has ten positions for field service work at \$1,200 a year. This does not require Civil Service.

A very interesting opening for nurses under Civil Service is Director of the Bureau of Social Service of Cook County, salary \$2,400, nursing and social service experience required.

Another position, Public Welfare Secretary, Federal Service, \$2,400 a year under Civil Service.

Tuberculosis Nurse, Elgin, Ill., \$1,200 a year. Tuberculosis Nurse Kankakee County, important position requiring experience, salary "no object."

Morgan County, Jacksonville, Ill., a nurse to make a Tuberculosis survey, good salary to survey specialist.

Deputy Factory Inspector, State of Illinois, \$100 to \$150 a month.

For further information about the above, apply to Harriet Fulmer, Chairman of General Nursing affairs, Room 1130 County Building, by appointment, telephone Franklin 3000, Local 76, or Kenwood 7240.

The Chicago School of Civics is offering a course in Medical Social Agencies Tuesdays and Thursdays, beginning March 26th, ending June 4th. Apply to School, 26th and Michigan Avenue.

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR MISS JOHNSTONE

On Thursday morning, January 24th, there was a celebration of the Holy Communion at St. Luke's Hospital Chapel in memory of Miss Margaret Johnstone, it being the third anniversary of her entrance into Paradise. Such memorial services are of great practical value.

It is the Christian idea to bury the faults of the departed with their mortal remains. But their virtues are to be cherished with faithful devotion. We owe this to the departed that they may live on in the lives of others, that the results of their labors may not be lost. We owe it to ourselves that, discovering the secret of their virtues, we may seek the same source of light and inspiration and, emulating their virtues, attain higher standards of excellence.

The communion service is the proper Memorial for in that we realize most fully the "Communion of Saints," fellowship with departed friends. The Hospital Chapel was the proper place for such a memorial to Miss Johnstone. It was very dear to her, perhaps the very place where she sought and found the secret of her remarkable repose of faith, her firm convictions, calm confidence yet modest reserve, her keen sense of right and justice, her loving sympathetic care for the sick and afflicted, her motherly interest in those under her charge.

Approximately ten minutes before the Chapel Service nearly every morning of her life at the Hospital she was to be found before the Altar in silent meditation or prayer. This is, perhaps, the secret of the marked success in her vocation. We could ill afford to become unmindful of her splendid record. Translated from the scene of unbounded opportunity and usefulness here, what a great work must her Master have for her to do in the realms beyond!

Father Wright.

A bronze relief of Miss Johnstone by Mr. Curnell of the Taft Studio, given by the medical board of St. Luke's Hospital, has been placed in the office of Directress. The inscription reads: "Margaret Edith Johnstone. Died in service, January 23, 1915."

Memphis, Tenn., Prominent Nurse is Dead

Mrs. Bertha Kate Walker, chief nurse of the operating room at General Hospital, died Saturday night. She had been in failing health for some time, but death followed after two days' confinement to her bed. Mrs. Walker had been signally honored in having been officially selected as the Chief Nurse of Base Hospital Unit 57, now in course of formation by Major Frank Smythe, and had been looking forward with eager anticipation to service in France with the United States Army.

For four years Mrs. Walker had filled the position of head nurse in the operating department of the General Hospital, during which time she had endeared herself to all members of the organization. She graduated from St. Luke's Hospital, Chicago, in 1914, and immediately thereafter assumed her duties in Memphis.

Mrs. Walker was born in Walla Walla, Wash., in 1881, and had

made her home at Moscow, Idaho, from early childhood until entering the class of the Chicago hospital.

WHO KNOWS?

Absolute knowledge I have none,
 But my aunt's washerwoman's sister's son
 Heard a policeman on his beat
 Say to a laborer on the street
 That he had a letter just last week
 Written in the finest Greek
 From a Chinese Coolie in Timbuctoo,
 Who said the Indians in Cuba knew
 Who got it straight from a circus clown,
 That a man in the Klondike heard the news
 From a gang of South American Jews
 About somebody in Borneo
 Who heard a man who claimed to know
 Of a swell female society rake
 Whose mother-in-law will undertake
 To prove that her seventh husband's sister's niece
 Has stated in a printed piece
 That she has a son who knows a Zulu chief
 Who knows that Red Cross funds are not used for relief.

—G. E. Doying, Springfield, Ill.

From Sangamon County Chapter American Red Cross, Springfield, Ill.

NEWS ITEMS

An Honor Roll has been placed in the lobby of the Smith Memorial with the names of nurses and doctors of St. Luke's now in the service of their country. The following nurses' names appear:

HONOR ROLL

Verna Adee, R. N.; Kathleen Brodrick, R. N.; Margaret Bulkley, R. N.; Elizabeth Craig, R. N.; Gertrude Davis, R. N.; Carrie Donsing, R. N.; May Draper, R. N.; Anita Eddy, R. N.; Ella Foley, R. N.; A. L. Hewson, R. N.; Ruth Jones, R. N.; Bernice Lennartz, R. N.; Mabel Madden, R. N.; Anne Manuell, R. N.; Madeline McConnell, R. N.; Eva Morkill, R. N.; Nettie Morrison, R. N.; Harriet O'Reilley, R. N.; Martha Smart, R. N.; Minnie Thomas, R. N.; Florence Voris, R. N.; Gladys Whitney, R. N.; Mabel Redfern, R. N.

Reports from Houston, Texas, tell us that Lieut.-Col. H. D. Orr and Major Gay are giving the 108th sanitary train intensive training in an eighty-day hike. St. Luke's has much to be proud of in these two ex-internes, who also saw service on the Mexican border.

Miss H. Gaede has temporarily resigned her position as assistant surgical nurse at the Illinois Central Hospital and is home in Coffeyville, Kansas.

Miss Madeline Smith writes she is still at Saranac Lake and wishes to be remembered to all inquiring friends.

NOTICE

On March 2nd I sent out 135 notifications that dues are due and

payable now. Please be considerate enough to make a prompt response; it will save time, postage and further expense to the Association.

L. M. Whitcomb, Treasurer.

NOTICES

Assistant School Nurse wanted half time in charge of work, or full time as Assistant. \$50.00 per month to commence.

Miss Zula Powell, Highland Park.

Vacancies in Bishop Clarkson Memorial Hospital, Omaha, Neb. Surgical Nurse, salary \$75.00 per month. Night Supervisor, salary \$60.00 per month.

Vacancy Beloit, Wis. \$85.00 salary. Write Mrs. E. E. Ritsher, Beloit, Wis.

Miss Harriet Vittum will address the Alumnae Association at the next regular meeting, March 19th. An invitation is extended to the senior nurses to be present.

The next examination of applicants for Registered Nurse will be held at the County Building, Chicago, Wednesday and Thursday, March 27 and 28, 1918. Applications for this examination should be on file in the office of the Department not later than March 15, 1918.

F. C. Dodds, Superintendent of Registration.

PERSONALS

Miss Eva Ruddy, of Brantford, Ontario, is in the city and will remain to take the State Board Examinations.

A letter from Miss Gertrude Davis, who recently sailed with Miss Grace Gassette, and is volunteering her services, states that although she is very busy, is very happy in her new work. Miss Davis is an excellent representative of St. Luke's Training School.

Miss Belle McKnight has accepted the position of Night Superintendent in the Findlay Hospital, Dubuque, Iowa.

The gymnasium in the Training School is a place of great enjoyment to the nurses. Classes in gymnastics are instructed by Miss Constantine every Wednesday evening from 7:30 to 9:30. Classes in French are also held there each Monday and Thursday evening. Instructor Monsieur L. L. Pappo.

The wedding of Miss E. Reifurth to Mr. FitzGibbons, assistant superintendent of St. Luke's, took place Wednesday evening, February 27th, at the Chicago Nurses' Club.

The social service department, which has always been more or less neglected by the St. Luke's Alumnae, invites the interest and help of all the nurses. The work has grown very much during the last year. A clerk and a pupil nurse have been added to the workers in the department, but even with the additional help of volunteers, it is difficult to meet the necessary demands. Several new departments have been added during the year, among them Medical and Gynecological follow-up clinics where discharged hospital patients return regularly for examination and treatment.

Plans are made and funds being collected for an occupational room for the convalescing and physically handicapped patients.

In January, as a beginning of this work, knitting was started in all the wards. Men, women and children are enthusiastically knitting for the army and navy. Junior League Members are regular teachers in all the wards. Up to March 1st the following articles have been completed:

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| Knitted Belgian baby blanket.. | 1 | Socks, pairs | 22 |
| Sweaters | 22 | Wristlets, pairs | 5 |
| Scarfs | 3 | Wash cloths | 21 |

The wash cloths on which patients learn to knit are to be given to the Florence Ward.

We are very proud of our Orthopedic patient, a boy of 20, who is knitting "double socks," a pair on one set of needles.

Miss Mary Cordell, who was the first pupil nurse to have the Social Service training, went immediately after graduation to take the Public Health work in the country at Kankakee, Illinois.

Miss Faye Mack, Supervisor of the Orthopedic Department, has been very busy the last two weeks in connection with the School for Army Surgeons of Orthopedic section—as the clinic was held at St. Luke's under the direction of Major Ridlon, Dr. Porter and Dr. Thomas.

Miss E. R. Murray, Supervisor of Obstetric Department, reports that the Obstetrical Department is "doing its bit" for the war by the production of four pairs of twins within the last few weeks.

What makes Florence Ward so attractive? What makes the nurses' faces beam with joy when they report for duty in "Florence?" Why are all visitors pleased? The answer is a simple one. It is the presence of children, such a beautiful co-operation between the nurses and children. There it is where love and kindness reign.

The kindergarten, in educational entertaining of convalescent children means much to the little patients, who otherwise would have nothing to do, for this education tends to develop creative self-activity, memory and imagination. Most attractive things have been made in the way of paper novelties, plain sewing, crochet, cross stitch and knitting.

The latter part of February a beautiful new piano was donated to the Kindergarten by Mrs. Bai-Lihme, 1200 Lake Shore Drive. Well, if you want to know how much pleasure it is giving the little ones, you had better visit and see for yourself.

Anna H. Bursch.

The often asked question is: "How is everything at St. Luke's?" The answer is: "Just fine!" More than that should be said; to meet the demands of the Red Cross the enrollment has been increased forty-five, making a total of one hundred and ninety-five nurses in training.

The manifested spirit, enthusiasm, interest, good will and co-operation that prevails at St. Luke's could not be improved upon. Every Alumnus has reason to feel proud to say, "I am a graduate of St. Luke's," and that the standard of the Training School is kept up by the efficient supervision of Mrs. Jessie MacDonald, one of our members.

Louise M. Spohr, R. N., 1902, Secretary.



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1. Beisel, Florence.....Camp Lee, Petersburg, Va.
2. Blake, Bertha.....Camp Upton, Long Island, N. Y.
3. Blodgett, Florence.....Camp Sevier, Greenville, S. C.
4. Bulkley, Margaret.....Camp Sherman, Chillicothe, Ohio
5. Carter, Helen.....Camp Custer, Battle Creek, Mich.
6. Collins, May.....Camp Dix, Wrightville, N. J.
7. Craig, Elizabeth.....Camp Grant, Rockford, Ill.
8. Crawford, Ruth.....Camp Upton, Long Island, N. Y.
9. Davenport, Mary.....Camp Upton, Long Island, N. Y.

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| 10. | Donsing, Caroline..... | Camp Grant, Rockford, Ill. |
| 11. | Draper, Cordelia..... | Camp Sherman, Chillicothe, Ohio |
| 12. | Dugan, Florence..... | Camp Lee, Petersburg, Va. |
| 13. | Evans, E. Louise..... | Camp Lee, Petersburg, Va. |
| 14. | Foley, Ella..... | Camp Sherman, Chillicothe, Ohio |
| 15. | Foot, Caroline..... | Camp Lee, Petersburg, Va. |
| 16. | Freeman, Lucy..... | Camp Sherman, Chillicothe, Ohio |
| 17. | Gruber, Kathryn..... | Camp Upton, Long Island, N. Y. |
| 18. | Hall, Frances B..... | Camp Upton, Long Island, N. Y. |
| 19. | Hanchett, Liela | Camp Sherman, Chillicothe, Ohio |
| 20. | Hewson, Adelaide..... | Camp Sherman, Chillicothe, Ohio |
| 21. | Jacobs, Lena J..... | Camp Upton, Long Island, N. Y. |
| 22. | Latham, Susan..... | Camp Sherman, Chillicothe, Ohio |
| 23. | Lee, Bertha Grace..... | Camp Upton, Long Island, N. Y. |
| 24. | Liers, Louise M..... | Camp Lee, Petersburg, Va. |
| 25. | Madden, Mabel G..... | Camp Sherman, Chillicothe, Ohio |
| 26. | Mahan, Margaret..... | Camp Lee, Petersburg, Va. |
| 27. | Marlin, Ruth..... | |
| 28. | Martin, Agnes J..... | Camp Sherman, Chillicothe, Ohio |
| 29. | McConnell, Madeline..... | Camp Custer, Battle Creek, Mich. |
| 30. | Mihills, Mildred..... | Camp Lee, Petersburg, Va. |
| 31. | McNab, Helen..... | Camp Sherman, Chillicothe, Ohio |
| 32. | Morier, Alice U..... | Camp Sevier, Greenville, S. C. |
| 33. | Morris, Hilda..... | Camp Sherman, Chillicothe, Ohio |
| 34. | Moser, Anna..... | Camp Wadsworth, Spartanburg, S. C. |
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| 38. | Preston, Mabel Lee..... | Camp Sherman, Chillicothe, Ohio |
| 39. | Robertson, Alison..... | Camp Lee, Petersburg, Va. |
| 40. | Schweitzer, Ida May..... | Camp Devens, Ayer, Mass. |
| 41. | Stewart, Ellen..... | Camp Grant, Rockford, Ill. |
| 42. | Ulmer, Elizabeth..... | Camp Custer, Battle Creek, Mich. |
| 43. | Vining, Bertha..... | Camp Lee, Petersburg, Va. |
| 44. | Vandervort, Lynette..... | Camp Beauregard, Alexandria, La. |
| 45. | Wallace, Caroline..... | Camp Sherman, Chillicothe, Ohio |
| 46. | Weismiller, Mildred.... | Camp Devens, Ayer, Mass. |
| 47. | West, Bessie A..... | Camp Lee, Petersburg, Va. |
| 48. | Wood, Ella M..... | Camp Lee, Petersburg, Va. |
| 49. | White, Katherine..... | Post Hospital Field No. 2, Garden City, Long Island. |
| 50. | Young, Harriet F..... | Camp Upton, Long Island, N. Y. |
| 51. | Hutton, Kate..... | Camp Dix, Wrightville, N. J. |
| 52. | Mabel Redfern..... | Camp Grant, Rockford, Ill. |
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A FEW SUGGESTIONS FROM THE PRESIDENT

This is the first issue of our Alumnae Journal in its new form as a quarterly and your Officers as well as your Publication and Press Committee are hoping each individual member will feel her responsibility in making it a success.

Only if every member realizes the importance of gathering all news about our members or their work; whether in Chicago or in distant parts of the country and sending it to the Chairman, can we hope to make the Alumnae Journal a success.

The report of the delegates will be read at the June meeting and we hope for a large attendance; we also entertain members of the graduating class at that time.

You may be interested to know that 102 of our members are enrolled Red Cross Nurses in the First District. This seems a small number out of 264 Alumnae members and your President hopes to see it increased by at least 50 this year. Some of our members may be enrolled under other committees and we will be glad to have their names to add to our list.

The By-Laws will be revised at the annual meeting and the Chairman of Revision Committee, Miss Mabel McClanahan, will be glad of any suggestions before October next:

At the June meeting, we will bring up the question of having our first fall meeting in October—so many are out of town in September. Mrs. Hopkins has kindly consented to act as Chairman of our Active Service Committee; their work as planned is to keep in touch with our members who are in the service of our country either at home or overseas and help them in every way possible. We hope our members in active service will write us occasionally as regulations allow, of their work and also will keep their membership in the Alumnae and urge others who may have lapsed to ask for re-instatement.

Will any members who are willing to serve on committees please send their names to the President. This will avoid much waste of time for both President and Chairmen of Committees in writing to find out who will serve. This will not necessarily mean you will be asked to serve this year. Please designate committee work you prefer.

Before closing, your President would like to suggest consideration of the question of having an annual banquet for the entertainment of members of the graduating class and have the invitations include not only our alumnae members but all who have ever graduated from St. Luke's. This might be taken up after the war, which at present makes any plan which would increase expenses undesirable.

Hoping for your hearty co-operation and support in the future as in the past.

Anne Ambridge, President.

ANNUAL REPORT OF SECRETARY

February 19, 1918.

The year 1917 has been a comparatively uneventful one in the annals of our association. Some changes have occurred in the per-

sonnel of the Officers—Mrs. MacDonald, who was elected Treasurer, was compelled to resign owing to pressure of hospital duties and the office was taken by Miss Lawrie, who in turn was succeeded by Miss Whitcomb. On Mrs. Gay's resignation Miss Browne was elected Chairman of the Program Committee. Mrs. Orr went to Texas, and a paid Auditor was secured.

On account of the financial condition and the many demands upon the treasury it was thought best not to pay the rather large assessment of the Nurses' Club, especially as we have met one assessment in addition to \$500 in Club stock on which there are as yet no returns.

The year book which was gotten out early in the year is rather different from those of other years, for two reasons; to save expense and because the size seemed more practical for use, and the alphabetical arrangement more convenient than when classified as to the year of graduation. Bids were called for and Claflin-Hill Co., who have been the Journal printers for years, outbid all others in price as well as in quality of work and stock. Among some interesting features of the year book is the fact that in less than a year the book shows ninety-six changes of address, one-third of the total membership, of this number not more than thirty-five have been received by the Secretary, the others by hearsay and asking questions, further it is safe to say that at least fifty more are still incorrect. I plead with you, in fairness to your new Secretary help her to keep her list somewhere near correct. It is a pitiful waste of time and money as well as energy to send out Journals and other material only to have it thrown away for want of an adequate address.

Another matter of interest; we began the year with a membership of 313, and on April 1st, in spite of notices (perhaps the reason you did not receive yours was that your address was incorrect), many were in arrears, some for two years and more, and in July, six months after dues were due, by action of the Board sixty-four members in arrears were dropped for non-payment. Many applied for reinstatement at once, some took this way of resigning; one member resigned, and we have lost two members, Miss Kyburg and Miss Harris, by death. Twenty-four new members were admitted which leaves us with a total membership all in good standing and only nine less than we showed at the beginning of the year. A fully paid up membership, makes it possible for us to do many things, pay sick benefits for instance which we cannot do when without money or in doubt as to finances. This year about \$600 has been expended in sick benefits, than which there is no better object.

Our Pension Fund under the able management of Miss Ambridge and her Committee is growing steadily if not rapidly.

It is with sincere regret that I am not able to make this my eighth and last report in person and to tell you myself that it has been, and always will be a real pleasure to serve the Alumnae and to thank you for your co-operation and support. It is with mixed feelings that I am turning the books over to another; for I have loved keeping in touch with you, especially those of you who have been my pupils and

of whose doings and successes I am always interested and proud. It seems, however, not only fair but just to make it possible to allow another the privilege which I have enjoyed so long.

One word for your new Secretary: keep her informed of your correct address, write her once in a while when you have something pleasant to tell her, you do not know how much it helps; and give her your loyal support. - She needs it.

Last, but far from least; don't give up your Alumnae Journal; don't give up your sick benefit, and vote for re-organization.

Respectfully submitted,

Eva A. Mack, R. N., Secretary.

SOCIAL SERVICE AT ST. LUKE'S HOSPITAL

It has been found that so few Nurses or Visitors really know just what the Social Service does, or what the work has accomplished in the past few years, or how far and wide the good service has been rendered, that it is felt a sketch of the whole department would be appreciated by the readers of St. Luke's Alumnae Magazine. The outline of practical work follows in detail.

A call is made in the home of every free patient as soon as possible after admission.

A record is kept of home conditions found and necessary Medical or Social work is done in that home during hospital care of patient, and after discharge.

Follow-up visits are made in the homes of as many patients as possible—always when there is a definite need, in Gynecological, Medical and Obstetrical cases and in the homes of all children.

Educational work is done in each home by visits, literature, diet lists, and by co-operation of all the educational agencies (public health organizations).

If home conditions are not fit for return of convalescent patient, he is sent to the country, or to a convalescent home, until conditions are improved.

Temporary homes are found for homeless patients leaving the hospital, and employment if necessary.

All Tuberculous patients or suspected cases of Tuberculosis, such as families of patients with Tbc. joints, or with history of many attacks of Pneumonia, are followed up carefully, and given home or Sanitarium care if found to be Tuberculous.

Special Work

Orthopedic cases are followed up to get patients back for treatment, change of casts, etc.

Adult patients, crippled, or in casts, and unable to do ordinary work, are put in touch with employment agencies providing work for such people.

In 4W every baby is referred to the Infant Welfare Society, where the nurses call, and keep baby under supervision until two years old.

All artificial feeding cases are followed up by St. Luke's until mother can make the food, and understands the care of the baby, then are, as usual, referred to the I. W. S.

Special instructive literature in baby care and prenatal care is mailed to every mother in 4W, and of every baby in the Florence wards.

Cases of unmarried mothers—employment is found, baby cared for or adopted, or any other necessary work done.

Medical patients—Drs. Preble, Gilbert or Elliott have special follow-up system—clinic every two weeks on Sunday, discharged Medical patients return for examination, treatment, etc.

By this careful supervision patients keep well, and do not need to return for hospital care so frequently.

Between clinics home calls are made, instruction in diet and general care given, occupation changed, or any other necessary home work done.

Social Service gets patient back by call, letter or phone.

For Gynecological patients—the same follow-up system has been started, patients coming back for examination and treatment every other Thursday afternoon, and home work done in the same way.

Children—all cases followed up for instruction in diet and care. Children from very bad homes are sent to the country, or to comfortable homes until in good condition—babies are boarded in supervised homes—one in each family when mother works in factory, and cannot care for the children. Clothing, braces, or necessary medical or surgical appliances furnished if families cannot buy them.

All patients in adult ward referred by Doctor or by hospital for special care—as for Tuberculosis Sanitarium, for permanent institutional care, for change of occupation, etc.

Every patient leaving, who requires care is referred to organizations who can best give that care.

Patients with dressings are referred to the Visiting Nurses, possible cases of Tuberculosis, to Tuberculosis Visiting Nurse, babies under two years to the Infant Welfare Society, mentally affected, to the Mental Hygiene Society, where mental defective people are given employment under supervision, etc.

The Social Service Department co-operates with every organization and agency in the city.

A record is kept of each patient and work done.

Up to January 1, 1918, 1,900 families were cared for.

Social Service Department, with help of other public health organizations, follow up these hospital patients:

—all children,

—obstetrical patients and babies,

—gynecological and medical patients for the follow-up clinics at St. Luke's.

- orthopedic patients,
- special cases referred by physician or individuals.

Housekeeping Department

Before Mrs. Ryerson went to France, she left a fund with the Social Service Department, to start a Visiting Housekeeping Branch.

This position was taken by Miss J. Dawson, and the work has opened a wide field of practical service, especially to the very poor and the foreign people, who need much help in their domestic and dietary problems. Of the latter, the value cannot be estimated.

Hitherto the orthopedic children taken home, have found to be given the same old, absolutely wrong, under-nourishing diet, with the result that the good work done by St. Luke's Hospital in building up the feeble little bodies, at the same time that the pitiful deformities are corrected, is to a great extent undone again by the poor home care and feeding.

The Visiting Housekeeper takes a list of correct meals for children, very carefully planned with regard to necessary caloric value, and from which is excluded all food they should not be given, and the mother is visited regularly to see that she keeps faith with regard to this important matter.

Lists are also made for cases of Nephritis and Diabetes—the latter class of patients now visiting weekly Dr. Sutton's valuable clinic at Northwestern College.

The graduate nurses can be of great service to this department if they will bear in mind the fact that clothing and shoes of all kinds are greatly needed, and constantly asked for, and in all cases are given where most required, and all garments and shoes are looked over and carefully fitted to the individual need.

The Visiting Housekeeper will be most grateful for help and personal interest in this service, and all garments donated by patients or nurses will be called for and gratefully accepted by the Social Service.

Zoe Harpster.

NOTICE

The June meeting will be on the 18th and will be a reception for graduating class. There will be no other notice of this meeting so please mark your calendar for this day and make it a point to be there. This will be the last meeting until further notice. Miss Eldredge has accepted the President's invitation to be there and tell us of her interesting work.

IN MEMORIAM

In the death of Mrs. Bertha Walker the St. Luke's Alumnae has lost one of our cherished members. She bore the heart breaking sorrow of losing all members of her family and faced life alone with wonderful fortitude.

To be called "Friend" was to have bestowed upon one the abiding loyalty, which was the keynote of her character. She was true to every trust she accepted, true to herself and others.

To all friends of Mrs. Walker her memory will remain a precious possession.

Frances Blake,
Grace Fladd.

FIRST DISTRICT

The annual meeting for the senior nurses of Chicago Training Schools was held at Fullerton Hall, April 25th. The President, Miss Foley, presided. This was a splendid meeting, twenty-one hospitals were represented. Miss Eldredge, our Interstate Secretary and Miss Ahrens, our National Representative, both spoke splendidly. The singing was led by four Wesley graduates. We sang two verses of "Keep the Home Fires Burning," just before the Service Flag was raised by Mrs. MacDonald and Miss Burkes. The flag had 559 stars on it, five golden stars for nurses whom we have lost. It was announced at this meeting that Miss Jessie Bradley had been appointed recruiting nurse for the Chicago Chapter. Slips for names and addresses were left in every seat. A reception was afterwards held in gallery each superintendent introducing her own group of nurses. All schools were well represented.

The Active Service Committee is sending a letter each month, except the month the Journal is published, to the members in active service. Mrs. Hopkins would like to have the co-operation of all the Alumnae members in sending items of interest to the nurses.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION OF ST. LUKE'S T. S. IN ACTIVE SERVICE

April 30, 1918.

Those of us who are still at home are thinking of ways and means by which we can help you to pass a few moments together and review the "doings" of our Alumnae meetings each month.

Now really you may not believe it but the Secretary, Louise M. Spohr, R. N., 1416 Indiana Ave., had one original thought and suggested to Miss Best the plan that we write an account of our Alumnae meetings and in fact every thing that would be of interest to you each month and send a copy of the contents as found in your envelope to each camp for the members of the Association.

We are all quite jealous of the other fellow so are trying to get ahead of each other in doing something.

Now then, when the Active Service Committee was appointed with Mrs. C. W. Hopkins as Chairman, we decided to include this in her duties and she too will write a letter telling you of her duties and to whom you may write should you want the assistance in any way of the Active Service Committee. So much for an explanation.

The meeting of the Alumnae was held April 15, 1918, nineteen present. We had the usual reports, our delegates for the A. N. A., which will meet in Cleveland May 6-11, are Miss Fulmer and Miss Whitcombe. We are entitled to five votes so in addition to our delegates, Miss Eldredge, Miss Ambridge, Mrs. J. MacDonald, have been given the privilege to vote.

Miss Best and I are also going to Cleveland, the account of the convention we will see that you get in the Journal as it will be published quarterly, Miss Helen Jones, Editor, Illinois Central Hospital, will reach her. We will send you cards while at the A. N. A.

Mrs. Martin, Miss Harriet Young's mother, gave us a very interesting account of her short visit at Camp Upton, where she met the nurses of the Unit when they arrived, she was so pleased with the camp and the provisions made for the nurses' comfort.

Mrs. Thiel gave us a very interesting talk on Liberty Bonds and Thrift Stamps, it was very instructive.

Miss Ambridge talked on Red Cross work which also made us feel anxious to go, it was then time to adjourn and we did so.

The enclosed programme will show you what happened April 25, 1918. Our annual party for the Senior nurses about to graduate from the Chicago T. S. needless to say it rained hard, but there were about four hundred present, there were eight of us who wore the cap and cape and sat on the stage right in front of the footlights, and proud ? ? ? ? we did not want to give them up but as they were loaned by Camp Grant we had to part with them.

Now write to me as often as you want and I will be glad to help you in any way I can, this is a great pleasure for me and I hope you will all enjoy it.

Yours faithfully,

Louise M. Spohr, R. N., Secretary.

A LETTER FROM CAMP SHERMAN

Dear Miss Spohr:

Your folder with many enclosures received some days ago and it was quite like a Christmas package and equally well received. It surely is good of you busy people to take thought of us in such a happy way. For even though we have not been away long or gone far, we are already living in the past and wondering to what we will return.

The life here is intensely interesting but you feel entirely detached from the rest of the world. I scarcely ever read a paper even when I get one and no matter how busy my days were at home, I could not go to bed without reading the Tribune. And strange to say you do not mind as long as you get your mail. Just as present, Nurses Foley, Draper and Madden are on night duty but since they are all living at the Y. M. C. A., we do not notice it so much but the rest are all on days and very happy in their work. Aside from colds, probably due to so much dust, we have all been exceptionally well and we certainly have wonderful appetites. The food is very good and well prepared.

Now that our rooms are completely furnished, they are not so neat and comfortable. Each contains a good iron bed, wooden table and chair and chiffonier. It is such a comfort to have a room to yourself but I understand we are all to move to the Y. M. C. A. next week and the permanent nurses to come here. I am not crazy about it as my hours are rather irregular at Head House and some days do not get much time off so it is much nicer to be near the Hospital. On the other hand, anything one goes to at night is nearer the Y and will not be so apt to want to stay home when you need the change.

The Red Cross has built the nicest Community House here at Camp Sherman. Looks like a big summer hotel and there is always a lot of people around in the evenings, either have a program or dance Tuesday and Friday nights have quite festive dances. The one thing it lacks is a hostess to introduce the girls to the men as there are always a lot you know would like to dance just as well as you would but don't know each other, and there is no opportunity for meeting in one's work. Miss Hanchett is in the Officers' Ward and some of them come to Head House for treatments, but aside from that the nurses meet only one or two that look after the ward in which they are placed and you know we are not allowed to associate with any but officers. You sort of wish some of our own doctors were here, for like our own, the ones here think the nurses they know are the best.

Camp Sherman is certainly situated in a wonderful spot, a valley with hills not too far away and beautiful river, Scioto, about half a mile from the Hospital. The engineers have built two bridges across, one pontoon and the other suspension. There are some delightful walks and I have never seen more beautiful or more numerous wild flowers of all sorts. The violets were wonderful and now such loads of May apple blossoms and phlox.

Then there is so much you want to know about the military end of it, as you never go for a walk that you don't meet groups practicing all sorts of things (you see I don't know any of the technical names), some signaling, some making maps, some using gas masks, bayonet practice and many more things but no one to explain it all.

I must stop now and dress as Pres and I are having our afternoon and going into Chillicothe to shop. Accept the thanks for all and we will try and send you something interesting from time to time, but have never had so little time for letters as I seem to get here. We are posting a group picture taken here last week and hope you can find us all.

Sincerely yours,

Agnes J. Martin.

CAMP NEWS

St. Luke's is represented at Camp Sherman by five nurses from Unit 14. Miss Foley, Miss Draper, Miss Madden, Miss Hewson and myself. We find camp life extremely interesting. The nurses' quarters are comfortable and the meals are good. The Hospital is well managed and equipped. The Community life centers around "The

Red Cross House." It is built in the shape of a red cross and is very attractive. It is under the management of the Y. M. C. A. One end is used as the office, another as a restaurant and the other two with the center space, make a wonderful place for dancing and entertainment.

M. A. Bulkley.

Camp Upton

A picture of our ten nurses in uniform arrived which shows that the work is agreeing with them.

Camp Sherman

A picture of all the nursing corps arrived which makes us believe that the enthusiasm in their letters is most sincere.

Miss Caroline Wallace is still at home because of the serious illness of her mother.

Miss Bulkley is assistant to the Head Worker at the Y. W.

Miss McNab writes all our nurses have been moved to the Y. W. except Miss Hanchett and herself. Wonder why they were left?

Riding back and forth to the hospital in the Ambulance or traveling over a swinging bridge are some of the amusements.

Camp Lee

Miss Mihills is off duty with a sore throat after just recovering from a sprained ankle.

They say Miss Foote is spoiling "The Boys."

Miss Mahan left for Walter Reed Hospital, Washington, D. C. to have her eyes treated.

Misses Wood and Robertson have been honorably discharged from active duty because of their health.

Camp Dodge

Miss Ream is here as a member of a California Unit.

Miss Thomas paid the Misses Mothershead and Barclay a visit at Ottumwa after recovering from an illness.

Miss Spence is a patient in the isolation ward, but is enjoying herself as everyone is so good to her.

Camp Sevier

The Misses Morier and Blodgett are anxiously awaiting to join the rest of the unit.

Camp Dix

The Misses Collins, Ruddy and Hutton arrived the 22nd of May.

Camp Custer.

Miss Manuel is back on duty after being home for a time.

The Misses Eddy and Jones are in New York awaiting orders if they have not already sailed.

Camp Pike.

The Misses Riebold and Brockman have joined the forces.

Mrs. Thomas (nee Hiatt) and the Lieutenant are leaving Petersburg for Des Moines. Our nurses at Camp Lee will miss them.

Miss Garrabrandt has resigned from the Great Lakes Naval Hospital.

There are now seventy-three nurses in Active Service.

Miss K. White is in New York awaiting sailing orders. She writes that sugar, tea, coffee and chocolate are taken as a part of their equipment.

Mrs. Lynette Vandervort was given a six days' furlough before assuming her new duties, she made a flying trip to Fond du Lac, Wis., stopping in Chicago part of a day each way. She is looking very well and had many interesting things to tell of cantonment work.

April 22nd and 23rd were busy days in St. Luke's T. S., eight of the Student Nurses were practicing in the gymnasium—the training school was going through a process of house cleaning—Miss Julia Dawson and Miss Adelaide Sharpe were busy at the phone all Tuesday and Wednesday.

Why? Because preparations were being made for Miss Eldredge's "Home Coming and Reception."

APRIL 24TH, EIGHT P. M.

The gymnasium was attractive with flowers and plants, the Banner and Training School Flag.

All nurses off duty from the Senior of the school to the latest Probationer were assembled with as many of the Graduate Nurses as could be reached by phone.

Miss Eldredge has been traveling extensively, meeting many organizations, State, National, Alumnae and Training School, representing the A. N. A., the National League for Nursing Education and the American Journal of Nursing, and is one of the most prominent women in the profession of to-day.

Following a short musical program, Miss Anne Ambridge, President of the Alumnae Association, made a few informal introductory remarks, after which Miss Eldredge gave one of her usual inspiring "Talks." To those who were listening for the first time it was a rare treat; to old friends and former pupils it was indeed most enjoyable.

Refreshments were served by the Senior nurses in the Sitting Room on the second floor.

There is much musical talent in the Training School, and the Student nurses were kind indeed in taking part in the evening's entertainment.

The one regret was that every Graduate Nurse of St. Luke's Hospital Training School could not be present.

Ella G. Best, R. N.

ECHOES OF THE CLEVELAND CONVENTION.

(Not included in the Delegates' Report.)

11,587 enrolled Red Cross nurses are in America to-day—7,000 in some phase of war work. Some Illinois nursing figures as heard at the Convention are as follows:

Number of graduate nurses in Illinois.....10,949

Number of R. N.'s in Illinois..... 6,424

Not R. N.'s (why?)..... 4,525

Number of enrolled Red Cross nurses in Illinois..... 1,073

4,525 not registered plus 5,351 not enrolled makes a total of 9,876 graduate nurses in Illinois not in war work. There is no shortage of nurses in Illinois to care for the civil population, and we should have a larger number in war service. H. F.

Some of the things which impressed the writer:

"An Epoch-making Event."

"Nursing History in the Making."

"Better Nursing Schools a Vital Topic."

"Physical Efficiency the Most Necessary Equipment To-day."

"100,000 Extra Beds in Military Cantonments to Provide Clinic Material for Training Schools for Nurses was One of the Great Forward Movements Instituted by Nurses."

A very interesting report from the National Relief Committee brought out the pathetic fact that of one hundred nurses who had been beneficiaries of the fund, fifteen had been laid low with tuberculosis—a huge percentage. St. Luke's representatives felt that our \$50.00 which we were allowed to give in pledges could be given to no greater cause than this relief fund. H. F.

PERSONAL ITEMS

Miss Eva Mack has been conducting Red Cross Classes in "Hygienic and Home Care," at Princeton, Ill.

Miss Ann Beisel, who has been at Columbia the past year, has won a scholarship and will take up special work at the Henry Street Settlement, New York City. We hope Miss Beisel will soon be a member of the Alumnae.

Miss Eva Mack, who has been doing Red Cross work in Princeton, is now visiting in Asheville, North Carolina.

Red Cross Drive in St. Luke's, May 24th, 1918—Miss Julia Dawson presided as official Campaigner, in a booth prepared and decorated by Miss Maude Gooch and Miss Lou Dilge, principal among the decorations were the Honor Roll and Training School Service Flag which had just been dedicated in a special Chapel Service that morning. The result of the drive was five hundred dollars.

Richard Steele Durkees, son of Mr. and Mrs. Warren C. Durkees (nee Steele), born, February 8th, 1918, at Dixon, Illinois. Mrs. Durkees was at the Hospital for the last Alumna meeting.

Miss Evelyn Kimmel, R. N., '07, has accepted the position of superintendent of the Passavant Memorial Hospital of Jacksonville, Ill.

Miss Harriet Fulmer, R. N., expects to sail for France in a few weeks to do social service work among the tubercular in the suburbs of Paris.

Service Flag—Red Cross was blessed by Father Wright at morning chapel Friday, May 24th.

Miss Madeline McConnell has been made night superintendent at Camp Custer.

Miss H. Gooch is dispensary nurse for Aetna Life Insurance Company.

Miss Pringle is enjoying her vacation.

The tennis court at the hospital is kept busy all day.

REUNION OF ST. LUKE'S NURSES, CLEVELAND, A. N. A.

Reunions are always a great pleasure, especially after one has reached the age of "Reminiscences."

Thursday evening, May 9th, 1918, a table had been prepared for fourteen St. Luke's Chicago Graduates in the Hollenden Hotel.

It was indeed a real St. Luke's "Blue Cross Dinner," with table decorations of the school flower, the daisy, and blue cross place cards.

Miss Eldredge, Mrs. Macdonald, Miss Ambridge, Miss Fulmer, Miss Whitcombe, Mrs. C. W. Hopkins, Miss Spohr, Miss McClennahan, Mrs. Ward, nee Miss Mable Stevenson, '09, Memphis; Miss McCallum, '04, Toronto; Miss McCabe, '09, V. N. A., Omaha; Miss Best were present. Miss Susan Holmes and Miss Alice Page Converse were unable to be present.

The dinner was very informal, everyone was glad to have been present and anxious to know what her neighbor was doing, etc. Miss Eldredge told of the St. Luke's nurses she had met on her journey as Interstate Secretary. Miss Ambridge made a few remarks about the Red Cross.

Before leaving the table Mrs. Macdonald spoke of the great pleasure of such a meeting and hoped in 1920 to get together again with additional members who were unable to be present this year.

Mrs. Chauncey McCormick is anxious to have this letter reach the nurses:

COMITE FRANCO-AMERICAIN Protection Des Enfants de la Frontiere

TO A FRIEND OF THE CHILDREN OF FRANCE AND BELGIUM:

The purpose of the Committee is to care for Belgian and French Children from the invaded districts as long as the conditions created by the war continue to exist. The children may be orphans; they may have been separated from their parents in the general confusion, or they may have been sent away by their parents because of the constant danger from bombardment; all are homeless and destitute. Upon arrival in Paris they are placed in institutions with which the Committee has made arrangements for their temporary care. They receive medical examination (and treatment, if required), are clothed and thereupon sent to one of the eighteen colonies maintained by the Committee in various parts of France.

One colony of seventy children has been supported for the last three years through the efforts of a group of young women conducting the Band Box, at 70 East Oak Street, and is known as the Chicago Colony.

We are now forming a Chicago Supply Committee to work in co-operation with the American Fund for French Wounded, to make

clothing for the children in these colonies. The need is especially urgent at this time, as new children are being brought in daily from the villages evacuated by the Germans in their retreat. The Committee is opening a work shop at 503 Powers Building, 37 South Wabash Avenue. Will you help in any of the following ways:

- 1—By sending a contribution with which to buy materials for clothing.
- 2—By sending cotton or woolen materials suitable for children's clothes.
- 3—By knitting children's garments at home or by coming to the work shop to sew, any day from 10 to 4.

Mrs. Halstead Freeman, Chairman.

Mrs. Chauncey McCormick, Treasurer.

Miss Harriet Houghteling, Secretary.

N. B. Send all contributions or checks to Mrs. Chauncey McCormick, Treasurer, 705 Powers Bldg., 37 South Wabash Avenue.

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| 12. Bredbeck, Blanche | 58. Harlin, Ruth |
| 13. Browarr, Laura | 59. Martin, Agnes J. |
| 14. Bryan, Gertrude | 60. McConnell, Madeline |
| 15. Bulkley, Margaret | 61. McCleod, Emma Rae |
| 16. Gerdner, Mary | 62. McNab, Helen E. |
| 17. Carter, Helen | 63. Morier, Alice U. |
| 18. Collins, May D. | 64. Mihills, Mildred H. |
| 19. Craig, Elizabeth | 65. Montgomery, Mary T. |
| 20. Crager, Grace | 66. Morris, Hilda |
| 21. Crawford, Ruth | 67. Morris, Mary E. |
| 22. Damen, Clara | 68. Moser, Anna M. |
| 23. Danley, Genova M. | 69. Murphy, Edna D. |
| 24. Davenport, Mary | 70. Murphy, Sarah Louise |
| 25. Donsing, Caroline | 71. Murphy, Edna R. |
| 26. Dorman, Sydney Hope | 72. Murphy, Mary |
| 27. Draper, Cordelia | 73. Murray, Rena |
| 28. Dugan, Florence | 74. Howell, Anna Lyle |
| 29. Ely, Harriet Grace | 75. O'Keefe, Elizabeth E. |
| 30. Engels, Minnie | 76. Osee, Bertha I. |
| 31. Evans, Louise E. | 77. Payne, Fredericks Ricks |
| 32. Everhart, Minnie | 78. Patterson, Evelyn Hope |
| 33. Foley, Ella L. | 79. Preston, Mabel Lee |
| 34. Foote, Caroline C. | 80. Redfern, Mabel Edna |
| 35. Freeman, Lucy | 81. Rooks, Neva E. |
| 36. Hall, Frances | 82. Ruddy, Eva |
| 37. Hallan, Elizabeth | 83. Rusk, Nettane |
| 38. Hanchett, Leila | 84. Selmick, Ruth |
| 39. Hayes, Mary | 85. Schweitzer, Ida May |
| 40. Howson, Adelaide Laurie | 86. Sheehan, Mary |
| 41. Hobson, Grace | 87. Shelain, Eva A. |
| 42. Hodges, Mary H. | 88. Sherburne, Bertha E. |
| 43. Holmes, Laura L. | 89. Stewart, Elizabeth |
| 44. Rubbell, Helen M. | 90. Sylvan, Anna |
| 45. Hughes, Margaret M. | 91. Taggart, Helen Alice |
| 46. Hutton, Kate | 92. Tregilgus, Grace L. |
| 47. Jacob, Lena J. | 93. Vining, Bertha A. |
| 48. Johnson, Cecelia | 94. Votey, Marguerite |
| 49. Keidel, Celestine | 95. Wallace, Caroline |
| 50. Lang, Bertin | 96. Washington, Cora B. |
| 51. Lathan, Susan M. | 97. Watson, Florence |
| 52. Lee, Bertha Grace | 98. Weismiller, Mildred |
| 53. Liers, Louise M. | 99. West, Bessie A. |
| 54. Lundberg, Mabel V. | 100. Young, Harriet F. |
| 55. Hanan, Margaret L. | |

"IN FLANDERS FIELDS."

By Lieutenant-Colonel John McCrea,
Canadian Overseas Forces.
(Killed in action, 1917.)

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row
That mark our place, and in the sky
The larks still bravely singing fly
Scarce heard amidst the guns below.

We are the dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe.
To you from failing hands we throw
The Torch—be yours to hold it high;
If ye break faith with us who die,
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.

AN AMERICAN REPLY.

By C. B. Galbreath.

In Flanders fields the cannon boom
And fitful flashes light the gloom,
While up above, like eagles fly
The fierce destroyers of the sky;
With stains the earth wherein you lie
Is redder than the poppy bloom,
In Flanders fields.

Sleep on, ye brave. The shrieking shell.
The quaking trench, the startled yell,
The fury of the battle hell
Shall wake you not, for all is well.
Sleep peacefully, for all is well.

Your flaming Torch aloft we bear,
With burning heart and oath we swear
To keep the faith, to fight it through,
To crush the foe or sleep with you,
In Flanders fields.

UNIT 14.

By Florence Blodgett.

We are Uncle Sam's Daughters,
All standing in line!
We are ready and waiting,
Now don't we look fine?

With a song on our lips
And a song in our hearts,
We will smile, bravely smile,
When the time comes to part.

And you, dear ones left
In the homeland, so fair,
Ever keep us and hold us
In your thought and your prayer,

That we may be skillful
Our soldiers to serve;
Strong with our hands,
And steady of nerve.

May we ever be loyal
And faithful and true
To you and our dear land
Of the red, white and blue.

When the long war is ended
And the fighting is done,
With all joy we'll return
To you, safe, every one!

A LETTER FROM UNIT NO. 14

Being part of the United States Army, drilling and becoming acquainted with military regulations, proved most absorbing and interesting during the Unit's stay in New York. We all regret that Miss Stewart is unable to be with us, and although some of us have known Mrs. Vandervort only since her arrival in New York, we feel that we are most fortunate in having her to take Miss Stewart's place.

Most of us were glad to discard our citizen's clothes and don the uniforms. Of course, we felt conscious for the first few days, especially when the Hurdy Gurdy man saw us and played "Where Do We Go From Here," "Over There," and ended with "Goodbye Broadway, Hello France." No one who has been in New York will believe in race suicide. There are children everywhere. At Coney Island, the pass to admission is a baby and suitcase.

After a week here "When do you think we will sail?" proved the most interesting topic of conversation. Everyone was very kind. We had special rates at many theatres and concerts. There were always places to go and wonderful things to see, but having come this far we wished to "arrive."

Thursday of our third week in New York, the Unit gathered with a number of friends in the old fashioned church yard of St. Paul's (where Washington prayed), had our photograph taken at the portals of the church. Sang our Unit song, and then marched after the "Colors" into the church itself. Here the most impressive ceremony took place. "The Blessing of Our Flag." The flag was carried by Miss Davenport (first lieutenant), supported by two lieutenants, up into the church, a beautiful prayer was read, psalms sung and the "Star Spangled Banner" played. We took communion at this service, just ourselves; how lovely it all was, such a bond of union!

At the recessional we took the same formation, following the flag, and then on to our drill.

The Fifth Avenue busses proved most alluring after drill, riding elephants can have nothing on these ungainly things. An upper front seat offered many thrills, while a rear seat gave a splendid view of the other sightseers. An unexperienced lover might gather many essential points from one of those back seats. It is whispered that the busses are called "Spoon Holders."

The Fourth of July parade was wonderful, and we were very proud to be part of it. One of the most interesting places visited was the War Demonstration Hospital of the Rockefeller Institute. It is an exact reproduction of an American Base Hospital in France, and is so constructed that it can be taken down and moved in forty-eight hours. Whole sections of the side can be lowered by rope pulleys, so that bed patients can be taken out quickly in case of sudden attack.

While there we were shown how Dakin's solution can be given to as many as 500 patients at once by simply setting a clock.

It has been so nice to see Mrs. C. P. Clark, Miss Schafer, Madame Behr, Miss Mary Thompson and Miss Ann Beisel, who all seem to be very well.

Of course, the committees have told you how much we appreciate the victrola and the wonderful records given by Michael Reese and St. Luke's.

This has been a glorious month, and we go into the beyond with a feeling of exultation, determined to do not our bit, but our best, and make you all proud of us. Letters from home are always most welcome.

You have surely heard of Unit No. 14,
 A finer bunch, there never was seen.
 At "drill" and "French"—they did excel
 All others work they'll do as well.

TO THE NURSES OF HOSPITALS, ST. LUKE'S
AND MICHAEL REESE, CHICAGO, ILL.

We've been in New York a long, long while,
We've studied the city, its ways and its style.
We've shopped and we've drilled
We've sung and we've trilled.
The City I'm sure with our unit is thrilled.

And now that we are in our blue uniform
Tho we're finding the weather to be a bit warm
We keep right on the go
We attend every show.
It can not be said Unit 14 is slow.

They tell us we're in the land of Bohemia,
'Tis scarcely suggestive of the trade mark "Hygenia,"
But on Washington Square
By Hotel Holly we'll swear
Uncle Sam has arranged very well for our care.

Now we are all packed up, anxious to go—
Regardless of where the submarines grow.
We've each pledged our service
We're not a bit nervous.
'Twill take more than the Kaiser, his horde to swerve us.

To win in this war it may take some years.
Your letters will help as much as your cheers.
Each day we're away.
Our victrola we'll play.
The one that you gave us—will we like it? Say!
Grace V. Hokon.

Nurses' Mobilization Station, July 26, 1918.

Mrs. Mary Kinzie Hopkins,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Mrs. Hopkins:

The members of Unit No. 14 wish to express their sincere appreciation of the very generous gift sent by your group of nurses and friends.

The victrola suggestion coming from you and Miss MacKenzie met with unanimous approval, and was acted upon at once. By combining three gifts, and each one adding a bit we were able to purchase a very good machine and a goodly number of records.

You may be sure the pleasure of the music will be greatly increased by the memory of the friends who were so interested in sending us away with a song.

These are serious days with us, and each expression of friendship is an added incentive to do out utmost.

Thanking you most heartily in behalf of each member of the unit,

I am, Sincerely yours,

Harriet Ely,
Chairman of Committee.

TO THE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION OF ST. LUKE'S HOSPITAL, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

Dear Chicago, Good Bye!
We're your Unit 14,
And we know we're the finest
New York City has seen!

We are ready and waiting
For the order to go,
Packed up and in uniform
My! we did hurry so!

Our trunks are a marvel
And we hope we've enough
Of woolies and sugar
And all other stuff!

But umbrellas and rubbers
We must leave them behind!
To keep off the showers
Unmilitary we find!

They say our wrist watches
(We thought them so neat!)
Are unnecessary!
We keep time with our feet!

Keep time! How we've drilled,
Till our throats were all parched.
In the armory dust
We've worked and we've marched!

As for our shoes,
As big as the house!
Yet nurses should walk
As still as a mouse!

Our cash is all spent
And our pocket books flat!
They said to bring fifty!
Who could believe that!

To the splendid Red Cross
In Chicago, we say
We are most deeply grateful!
Their gift saved the day!

We all can speak French
Like the natives, we know!
To a class of five hundred
We dutifully go!

We are learning to sing!
Counter shell shock, they say!
Our wonderful voices
We blend every day!

Our own beautiful flag,
Our red, white and blue
Shall be borne at our head
Till we come back to you.

Yes, we're ready and waiting
And deep under our smiles
Are very long thoughts
That we try to beguile!

For our mission is big,
The warfare is long!
But we might as well laugh,
And keep on with the song!

Florence W. Blodgett.

TRAINING SCHOOL NEWS

A formal meeting of the Training School Committee of the Alumnae Association was held Thursday, August 8th, at the hospital, the following nurses having been appointed by the chairman, Miss Harriet Fulmer: Alumnae: Mrs. Fitzgibbons, '17; Miss Best, '15; T. S.: Miss Drake, '18; Miss Lyman, '19.

The following recommendations were made: That a request be sent to Miss Helen Jones, editor of the Journal for space to be given over to the Training School, contributions to come to this page from the student nurses; that a copy of the Journal be sent to each member of the Senior Class. The Committee wishes to suggest that the November meeting be given over to the Training School, that the student nurses be responsible for the program of this meeting.

This would add greatly to the interest of the student nurses in the Alumnae Association, which is the foundation for all nursing organizations, and would keep the Alumnae in touch with the affairs of the Training School.

Respectfully submitted,

Harriet Fulmer,
Chairman.

The possibility of field work becoming a part of the course of our Training School meets with much favor.

The suggestion of three months time devoted to the study and practice of Infant Welfare, Visiting Nursing and Social Service work seems to the majority none too long a time to spend in obtaining an idea of what the work is which is now interesting many graduate nurses and the general public.

The receipt of the Alumnae Journal during the students' senior year would be greatly appreciated, and do much towards furnishing a bond of fellowship between the alumnae and the student.

The present woman in training feels greatly the necessity of grasping opportunities offered her through desirable publications and organizations now available as is shown in the following extracts from student papers.

F. Drake, '18.
M. Lyman, '19.

E. Bobo, 1919—"Surgical methods and procedures so closely follow new discoveries of science, especially those of bacteriology, that a nurse would be hindering more than assisting professional advancement if she did not try to keep up with advanced methods."

L. Springer, 1919—"Co-operation almost from the beginning of time has been recognized as a necessity—the lack of it has marked a country or people as being unprogressive to a degree."

E. Cox, 1919—"To establish in the minds of the laity the fact that nursing is not a menial task for the uneducated, but an art requiring skill and technique on a scientific basis becomes a duty of the student nurse. To accomplish this and a higher development of nursing the pupil will recognize the importance of a professional journal, more efficient organizations, higher and more uniform standards of registration and education, and a thorough knowledge of the history of nursing."

M. Humphrey, 1920—"Registration for nurses involves two important factors, 1: The protection for nurses against inferior members of the profession.

"2. Protection for the public, so that they may discriminate between the trained nurse of high standard and the untrained nurse or imposter.

L. Stewart, 1921—"Even though the standards of the profession are now high there is yet much to be done, and this advance depends greatly on the nurse now in the training school."

F. Shellman, 1921—"A nurse intensely interested in the present and future of her profession needs must know something of the past; without a knowledge of the past as a foundation, she cannot hope to understand the present."

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES, 1918

The annual commencement exercises of the class of 1918 were held in Trinity Church, on Monday evening, June 17, 1918.

The procession was a most imposing one, with 125 nurses and choir carrying flags, banners, etc., among them being the Training School service flag, with 79 stars.

One could not fail to be impressed by the evidence of spirit and enthusiasm found on the face of each nurse as she passed in procession.

The occasion has always been one of great inspiration to the Junior nurses, as well as the members of the graduating class. This year each seemed to feel that as soon as possible, she too would join the forces "Over There," and grasp the opportunity for doing one of the biggest and most noble things in the history of the profession.

How could any nurse follow more truly the wonderful example of Florence Nightingale, "The Lady of the Lamp?"

The devotional service was taken by the chaplain, Rev. G. D. Wright, followed by an address by Dr. Archbald Church on the essentials of success in nursing, in which he emphasized "Trained Efficiency," "Hopefulness," and "Cheerfulness," characterizing cheerfulness as the greatest of these three.

The Rev. F. G. Budlong gave the benedictory address. His forceful sincerity will long be remembered.

The reception was held in the Stickney House. There were many graduates of previous years present among the guests, many whose faces are always familiar at this time were greatly missed, but it is hoped they may be with us another year.

E. G. B.

Two of the nurses of the Class of 1918, Miss Drake and Miss Gloeckle, assisted with the recruiting of young women for the Student Nurse Reserve Corps. The young women enrolled will hold themselves in readiness as applicants for civil or military hospital training schools until April 1, 1919.

The Alumnae may be interested in knowing that the Training School curriculum has been revised, the preliminary course having been made more intensive, the new regime following as nearly as possible the standard sent out by the National League of Nursing Education, which leaves the last half of the senior year more free for outside lectures, etc.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June 15th—Red Cross parade to stimulate public interest and encourage enrollment in Red Cross and training schools.

Chicago Tribune: "A very dignified and unpretentious procession."

June 4th—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Zinke (nee Dorothy Dudley, '16), a boy, Dudley Zinke, christened in chapel by Fr. Wright, which makes him a real St. Luke's baby.

July 2nd—Born to Dr. and Mrs. Robert Morris a baby girl, Jane. Our heartiest congratulations and sincere wishes for these, our future citizens.

Miss Maude Gooch is spending her vacation in Alberta, Canada, near Calgary. She has with her Miss Ball and Miss Robinson, besides week end parties, camping excursions, etc. Miss Gooch finds time for a bit of patriotic farming. One of the many "Modern Maude Mullers."

July 2nd—Miss Louise Spohr reported to Army Base Hospital, Camp Dix, Wrightstown, New Jersey. Miss Spohr writes very enthusiastic letters about camp life, the interesting duties, etc.

July 15th—Miss Edith Bender reported to Army Base Hospital No. 1, Gunn Hill Road and Bainbridge Avenue, New York City.

We miss the members of the Training School family very much, and our most sincere wishes go with them in their new and interesting service.

The following poem written by Florence Blodgett, July 14th, to the tune of Illinois:

UNIT 14, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

We're Unit 14, Illinois,
We're going to France, Illinois,
Enlisted to fight,
In the cause that is right,
Till the end of the war, Illinois.

For our soldiers we'll care, Illinois,
We will each do our share, Illinois.
Our flag is our great protector,
On then, for we expect a
Victory for you, Illinois.

Throw that dear old flag
Of red, white and blue,
Lead on your sons and daughters,
Fighting for you.
And when we get the Kaiser,
Give him a riser, to make him wiser,
Go Chicago;

And with the victory won,
In Berlin we'll stand.
We will show that Hun
To a far distant land,
To Liberty we pledge our heart and hand,
Unit 14, Illinois.

July 15th—Miss Eldredge, an interesting and very welcome visitor in the Training School.

July 17th—Miss Gruber having just returned from New York City, gave us the latest news of Unit No. 14 at Hotel Holley, awaiting sailing orders. All were looking well and in excellent spirits.

Miss Edna Mason is a patient in St. Mary's No. 39; visitors are always welcome.

Mrs. C. R. Burchard (nee Miss Simanton, '15), writes from her country home near Fall City, Neb., of the wonderful corn, etc. All are contributions to the big food supply necessary for the nation.

Mrs. P. Evans Jones, Oskaloosa, Iowa, is doing very valuable and effective work in the Red Cross and recruiting of nurses.

August 1st—Misses Crompton, Eleanor Murray, Faye Mack, and Miss Beaton returned from vacations. Mrs. Macdonald, Miss Buckingham and Mrs. Schwartz are taking August vacations.

Miss Ming is taking the summer course at Teachers' College, Columbia University, and will take up the duties of instructor in the Training School in September.

Dr. E. A. Linger, a very busy and prominent physician of northern Michigan spent a few days in St. Luke's visiting old friends, having brought patients for hospital care. Mrs. Linger (nee Faye Duncan), is taking a very active part in Red Cross and child welfare work in Otonogon County; the baby, Dean, is "just wonderful."

From all reports we judge that Unit No. 14 sailed Thursday, August 1st.

We are very proud of the representative body of women who have joined the forces and are taking a vital part in this great service for their country.

It is a great opportunity which provides a direct outlet for patriotic impulses and a most satisfying form of service, actually multiplying the fighting forces of the nation.

We wish them all Godspeed and a safe return.

August 15th—Miss Bell McKnight is a patient in St. Mary's.

Unit No. 53 is mobilizing in New York, and is expecting to sail very soon with Miss Spohr as chief nurse.

April 30th.

The Alumnae Association,

Dear People:

If I can't find words in which to thank you for your kindness and thought for me, it isn't my fault. You should not do such inspiring things. You had already voted me more than I should ever have felt justified in asking for. That was why I made an application for my two last hospital experiences and to cap that with this:

If I were French and you less numerous I should say, I kiss your hands.

I am awfully sorry to consume so much of our funds, but I am terribly glad I belong to you.

You won't get any thanks until the autumn, as meetings will be over before this goes out. They will be accumulating interests meanwhile.

With many thoughts and good wishes for Unit 14 and all our other members of the Roll of Honor and warmest thanks to all of you.

Yours sincerely,

Mary Forbes.

Nurses must be very much needed now in France. All canteen workers are required to fill in forms stating what hospital experience, if any, they have had. A golden opportunity for those of the right age and strength. Don't hesitate, nothing will ever compensate you for the regret you will suffer at missing your chance of helping those who are laying down their lives for you tonight.

Will the nurses please remember that what is interesting to them will no doubt be of interest to other members of the Association, and send all items to the publication committee?

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The first meeting in the Fall will be Tuesday, October 15th. There will be no other notices of this meeting sent out. In the future there will be no notices of meetings sent to out-of-town members except in the Quarterly Alumnae. All general meetings will be held the third Tuesday of the month, beginning Tuesday, October 15th.

PERSONAL ITEMS

Our sympathy is extended to Lieutenant and Mrs. Thomas (nee Hiatt), whose baby boy, born August 12th, died on August 17th, at St. Luke's.

Miss Ellen Stewart has accepted the position of one of Miss Goodrich's assistants in the Surgeon General's office, and writes of most interesting work in helping organize the Army Schools of Nursing.

Miss Eva Mack is on the regular staff of instructors at the Red Cross Teaching Center in the Tower Building.

Miss Hazel Gaede is enjoying her work at Clarkson Memorial Hospital, Omaha, Nebraska, where she has charge of the operating rooms.

"Hilltop," Mrs. Lowden's home for convalescent children, will be given up in the fall, and Miss Ada Taylor and Adelaide Sharpe will be back in Chicago.

Miss Salome Dyson and Miss Mabel Osmotherly are signed up for cantonment service September.

Miss Oppen will be out of town with a patient for the winter.

Miss Ambridge has taken Miss Oppen's apartment, 4041 Ellis Avenue, and will be there after September 1st.

Word has been received that Miss Isabelle Cass, who has been seriously ill at her brother's, in Jackson, Mich., is improving.

THE JUNE MEETING

The June Alumnae meeting was held Tuesday, the 18th, at the hospital. As usual we entertained the graduating class and quite a number of Class 1918 were with us.

Miss Fulmer and Miss Wietcomb, our delegates to the A. N. A. in Cleveland read their reports which were most interesting, and brought the meetings vividly before us.

We were glad to welcome the Interstate Secretary, Miss Eldridge, both in her official capacity and as one of our devoted members and give her a place on our programme. She spoke particularly for the Red Cross and how we must to a large extent depend on private duty nurses for our future enrollment.

The gymnasium and sitting room and halls were filled with flowers and palms, decorations for the graduating exercises the night before and our service flag with its seventy-two (72) stars occupied a prominent place.

A large measure of the success of our meeting was due to the chairman of our Program Committee, and her generosity made it possible for us to have Miss Phyllis Fergus, who rendered several charming story poems set to her own music.

Refreshments were served after the meeting, and the table was most attractive with flowers and candles and silver, which the chairman brought from her own home. Ninety-two (92) members and prospective members were present, and every one seemed to enjoy the afternoon.

It was voted to have our first autumn meeting in October, as the September meetings have always been small, so many out of town.

A director's meeting was held immediately before the general meeting.

Miss Spohr, who has been very faithful and efficient in her duties as secretary, has been called to Camp Dix, and expects to go over seas very soon as chief nurse of Unit 53.

There will be a meeting of the board of directors, called in September, date and place to be given later, to elect a secretary for the unexpired term.

With so many of our members signing up for active duty, either with the base hospitals or for cantonment service, your president begs you to meet her more than half way in undertaking committee work and the various duties necessary in the alumnae.

Some members might even consider offering their services for committee work before being asked.

Anne Ambridge,
President.

A LETTER FROM UNIT 53

Aug. 30, 1918.

My dear Mrs. Hopkins:

I suppose you think that I am very neglectful of you, and so I am. But my first letter on reaching the Nurses' Mobilization station was to you, and so will my last. For when this letter reaches you we will be "dodging submarines, whales, etc."

You have been one person of a very few others that I have missed. And, your kindness in sending us the \$40 was a great surprise, and a very much appreciated one. With it we purchased "incidentals"—such as an extra trunk for our office fixtures, applied part on a typewriter.

We are all well taken care of. Are well equipped. Everybody has been lovely to us. While I have been very busy and anxious about everything, I have had some loyal members of the Unit who have been very competent assistants, and have worked as hard, if not harder than I have. The work has been very strenuous, because it means so very much to us. And just the slightest mistake might mean a great deal to anyone concerned. But we feel that we have all done our level best and will certainly receive the reward.

It is a great sacrifice for us in many ways, but a greater privilege and a large opportunity to show our colors.

Since it is rather late, and we must get up early, and the "Better the day, the better the deed," we expect to make a good start.

Thanking you again in behalf of Army Base Hospital No. 53, and hoping to hear from you, I am as ever.

Sincerely yours,

Louise M. Spohr,

Chief Nurse Army Base Hospital No. 53.

On June 16th, \$40 was sent to Mrs. Vandervort, \$20 from the Michael Reese Alumnae Association, and \$20 from our own association. With this money the committee bought the victrola and records spoken of in Miss Ely's letter. On August 21st, \$40 was sent to Miss Spohr. Her letter tells how that was used. The money was contributed by individual nurses and a few patients.

To be good citizens we must do our Christmas shopping early, and we don't want anyone to feel hurt because they have had no opportunity to contribute to the Christmas boxes for our nurses in service.

If every nurse will send a dollar (at once) to either Mrs. Hopkins at the Plaza Hotel, or Miss Best at the hospital, the committee will see that the nurses in service have no reason to think they are forgotten. Of course, contributions are not limited to one dollar.

THE NURSE AND THE ALUMNAE

As it is now a critical time in the war, so is it a critical time also for almost all organizations. There is the danger of our interests being so occupied that our Alumnae may suffer and reconstruction later on be difficult. A remedy for this will be to have help from our younger graduates. The alumnae association of a hospital is no negligible quantity in the nurses life, 'tis true many treat it as such, but the faithful ones who keep it up do so for the benefit of the whole. That the alumnae needs the nurse is true, and needs her badly to be as it should be, vigorous and helpful, but it can do without her help infinitely better than she can do without it. For the graduate who cuts herself off from this contact with her fellow nurses, as a body, lacks a certain inspiration and strength. There has always been this experience that new members who come to the meetings alone and infrequently, feel strange and shy, and on going away say after all, it is only for older nurses. When from the time of its inception as the Blue Cross Association, we have wanted the ingredient of the youngest and newest graduate, but we older members are quite conscious of failure to make them feel this. The alumnae bears the same relation to the nurse out of the school as the pupil nurses did in the hospital days and the hospital the same relation to both. Her interest if anything, should be greater when she is the finished product. This is logical. Let us all try this coming year to hold up the hands of our president by going to every meeting we can and plan to bring some one with us. If we have good meetings we shall not need to depend on entertainments, but whether we have an alluring program or not we can make it attractive by our sympathy and graciousness.

Adelaide Sharpe.





